

# OVER-ROAD MEN GAIN 8CT. RAISE

Approximately 8,000 over-road drivers of Indiana and 40,000 more in 10 other middle western states have received 8 cents an hour wage increase and other concessions by terms of a new agreement reached between the Central States Drivers' Council and several groups of associated employers.

Representing the Indiana Teamsters were E. J. Williams, Indianapolis, chairman; Walter E. Biggs, South Bend; O. B. Chambers, Kokomo and Pat Hess, Ft. Wayne.

The agreement was signed in Chicago, November 12 to become effective November 15.

It also provides for an increase of one-fourth of a cent a mile.

In 14 months the drivers will get an additional 5 cents an hour and one-eighth of a cent a mile.

The companies also agreed to contribute \$1 a week per employee for a health and welfare fund, to be administered jointly.

## City Freight Men Raised In Indianapolis

More than 1,300 members of Teamsters Union No. 185, engaged in moving city freight in Indianapolis voted November 27 to accept a new agreement made for them by union officials with members of the Indiana Motor Truck Assn., calling for 3 cents an hour increase during the first of two years, in addition 5 cents an hour the second year, and a provision that every employer will pay \$1 per week into a Health and Welfare fund for the benefit of the members.

The vote was unanimous, according to E. J. Williams, union secretary-treasurer, and was taken at a meeting in the South Side Turners Hall.

The extra pay will be retroactive to November 15.

Fred Marshall, president of Local 185, Mr. Williams and other union officials negotiated the agreement for the union.

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## Teamster BAS Plan Oil Agreement



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## Joint Council Promises 694 Men and Money

In welcoming Joint Council 69 to a meeting in Bloomington, November 24, Jack Garland, representing the CLU of that city and M. L. Chitwood, the Building Trades Council expressed belief that Teamsters Local No. 694 will acquire extensive new membership in 20 counties of south central Indiana—if actively supported by 12 other locals in the council.

Both leaders said that Herman LaMaster, new secretary-treasurer of Local 694 is doing an excellent job in Bloomington, Columbus, Bedford and other centers of the area. And both foresaw the time, not too far off, when his union would grow sufficiently to support a larger staff of business representation.

They were assured by O. B. Chambers, council president, that the council has

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## Local 144 Ups City Freight

Teamsters Local No. 144, Terre Haute, has signed its city freight contract obtaining a wage increase of eight cents an hour with a guarantee of an additional five-cent boost next year, Bert Wheat, business representative of the local, reported to the Indiana Conference of Teamsters meeting in the Hotel Lincoln, Indianapolis.

William Coakley reported that the same local had obtained a substantial increase for its members in a new blanket contract signed with the Wabash Commission Co., H. P. Shirley and the Drake Produce Co. in Terre Haute.

A committee of Teamster business representatives from all parts of Indiana met recently in Michigan City with E. C. Wilkes, chairman, to discuss plans for obtaining a state-wide petroleum contract.

Shown at the conference table are (left to right): Michael Sawochka, Gary; O. B. Chambers, Kokomo; E. J. Williams, Indianapolis; Harry D. Cole, Hammond; Edwin J. Kadlec, Michigan City, and William Sullivan, Hammond. Standing: Clyde Birdsong, Evansville; George Campbell, South Bend; Charles Miller, Vincennes, and Mr. Wilkes.

## Katz In Cast With Ruptured Disk of Spine

RICHMOND — James K. Katz, secretary-treasurer and business representative of Teamsters Union No. 691 centering in this city is still confined to the hospital in Bluffton, which he entered recently. Wayne Watkins, president of the local, says that it possibly will be a week or two before Mr. Katz can travel around much as he will be wearing a 40-pound cast from his shoulders to his hips. He has a ruptured disc in his spine and may have to undergo surgery in event the present treatment fails.

## Louis Hirshfield of Local 144 Dies Suddenly

TERRE HAUTE — The sudden death of Louis Hirshfield, secretary-treasurer of Teamsters Union No. 144 has brought sadness to other officers and members of this local and in other labor circles of this city.

Mr. Hirshfield, a bread salesdriver, was one of the most beloved members of his craft and his union, in which he had had an active part since 1914.

Death was caused by a heart attack, October 27.

Floral offerings were sent to his funeral by the Indiana Conference of Teamsters, Joint Council No. 69 of Indiana Teamsters and from Local Union No. 144, for which Mrs. Pearl Hirshfield, the widow, has expressed appreciation in behalf of herself and family.

## Story of How Pete Wilkes Got That Name

MICHIGAN CITY—Pete Wilkes, popular business agent of Teamsters Local 298, isn't named Pete or Peter at all. His real name is Everett Wilkes. But Pete always requests you to use Pete instead of Everett so people will know who is being talked about.

So The Labor Beacon asked him how come the nickname Pete and reports thus:

Pete was a basketball player on the Wadens (Ind.) high school team. One year the Wadens were in the basketball tournament at Fowler. They were little guys, compared to some of the teams, but much to everyone's excitement suddenly loomed as the dark horse team of the tournament.

One team decided the only way to win the tournament was to smash up the Wadens players. Which they proceeded to do. Rough house was a mild word for the slaughter inflicted on the dark horses. Two big bruisers lit on Pete and proceeded to smash him up.

Pete emerged from the melee with a smashed knee from which all the lubricating fluid drained. Followed a couple of weeks in bed and six more on crutches.

At that time Pete's history class was studying the settlement of New York. Prominent in history was the Dutch governor Peter Stuyvesant. Peter S., had a wooden leg. Everett Wilkes was hobbling around with a stiff leg and so —

## IMPORTANT TO MEMBERS OF LOCAL 188

All members of Teamsters Local 188 are urged by C. E. Davis, president, to attend the GENERAL MEETING of this local union at 8 p. m. on Tuesday, December 6.

This meeting will be held in the Elks Lodge Hall, Hotel Antlers, North Meridian street, Indianapolis.

Two trustees are to be elected and other important business transacted.

The two trustees will succeed George Dugger, whose three-year term expires December 31, 1949 and William Smythe, who is retiring because of ill health before the expiration of his term, December 31, 1950.

## NEW BEVERAGE CONTRACT FOR NO. 759, KOKOMO

KOKOMO — With the help of Ed Kiffmeyer of the State Department of Labor, Teamsters Union Local 759 has just signed a new contract with five beer distributing companies in this city.

The new agreement provides substantial hourly increase in pay for members of the local employed by the companies, guarantees them six paid holidays a year, three hours show-up time and other fringe concessions.

Signers for the union were O. B. Chambers, secretary-treasurer of Local 759 and Lee Lantz, business representative.

Distributors were Newell Beverage Co., Miller Beverage Co., Lacey Distributing Co., Mike Mascari and Young Distributing Co.

## Frank Edwards On AFL Radio

Frank Edwards of Radio Station WISH will begin five-day-a-week news commentary on Mutual Broadcasting System under sponsorship of the American Federation of Labor December 5.

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## Swede of 193 Finds World's Most Beautiful Beauty Asleep

By SWEDE CARLBOM

One dark night I drove my van alongside a rather large, dismal-looking mansion on the outskirts of Savannah, Ga. A tall, elderly gentleman came through the dark doorway and asked if I was the moving man. I told him that I was but that I would not be able to get help in loading until morning. He introduced himself as Mr. Thurston, an archeologist, and welcomed me inside.

The large rooms in the mansion were filled with ancient relics, mostly Egyptian. There were numerous life-like statues in stone, carvings in wood, slabs with ancient hieroglyphics and many coffin-like boxes containing mummies.

Mr. Thurston asked me if I thought I would have the ability to handle these relics since they were the rarest of specimens found and could not be replaced. I assured him I could fill the bill.

He lifted the cover on a mummy-box, saying it contained the most perfectly preserved body of an Egyptian queen, dead over 6,000 years, that had ever been discovered. When he removed an inner cover I beheld the most beautiful face of a sleeping woman I have ever seen.

The facial features were like fine carving in translucent wax. Her lips and cheeks had a faint glow of rose. Her silken, black hair parted in the middle and flowed gently downward curling around a shapely neck about which an ornate emerald necklace was fastened. She must have died very young.

Mr. Thurston showed me other boxes containing bodies of Pharaohs, ladies-in-waiting, warriors, etc. I was much impressed and assured him anew that I would indeed take great care in handling his rare things. Insisting that I stay in his house over night, he prepared a couch into a comfortable bed for me to sleep on. He then betook himself upstairs, bidding me good night.

At the stroke of midnight in the far off rooms, I heard the creak of rusty hinges. With a start I sat up and beheld, in the faint glow of a flickering log in the huge fire place, the cover on a nearby mummy-box rising slowly. I held my breath.

A delicate hand, bejeweled with many rings, took hold of the coffin edge. Slowly the head and bust of a woman emerged as she sat upright. With dainty hands she loosened her hair from around her shoulders. She turned her face in my direction. It was the queen.

"What time is it, sir?" she asked, seeing me sitting on the couch. I answered that it was "12:05 A. M., October 20, 1948 A. D., Your Highness."

She swung herself out of the coffin, displaying two finely shaped ankles. Her heavy silken gown fell in many folds about a graceful body that I'm sure must have been carved by the gods. (Oh, brrrrrrother!)

With lithe, springy steps she advanced toward a large wall mirror. She lifted her arms upward, stretching, like one who has slept for a long time. Walking over to a large brass gong, she struck it with a mallet three times.

The covers on several coffins lifted and figures sat up all around. A king, ladies-in-waiting, warriors, guards and keepers of the doors. The king, a moth-eaten bearded specimen, barked in a hollow voice:

"What's the commotion? Who is he, over there on the couch? Answer me, Queen Zandreena!"

"Oh, Your Highness," said the queen, "it's our Mayflower moving man."

"Have the guards throw him to the crocodiles," roared the king. "He jolted the insides out of me on the last trip across the states."

"Sorry, sir," I spoke up, bewildered at the king's outburst, "I'll double-pad you on this next trip across; but, even so, it would be wise for you to hang on to your insides!"

The king sprang out of his coffin, faced me angrily and burst forth:

"How dare you speak to me thus. I, the mightiest of all Pharaohs, the great ruler over the land of Joab and the land beyond that called Paccadonia, the land to the north called the Mazebras with 10,000 goats and twice as many jackasses. Why, you blasted gear-pusher, I shall have my pet tiger tear your shorts off!"

He paused for breath and turned to the queen whose lady-in-waiting was combing out the queen's tresses. And then he bellowed out anew:

"Queen Zandreena! I am famished. I feel like I haven't eaten since the time of the funeral of Tut-an-hokum. Fetch me a half-dozen scrambled ostrich eggs, the best hunk of camel's rumpsteak in the freezer and a large tankard of the best wine from the valley of the Hobas."

Then, exhausted, he sat down on a large chest and lit a Fatima. The queen ordered a wine-bath to be drawn and when the lady-in-waiting asked: "Port or cherry?" the queen said: "Port."

She was to be rubbed with almond oil and then served a breakfast of baked figs with milk from the sacred goats of Hadar. She lit an Omar and departed with the lady through the heavy drapes down the hall.

"Where is my breakfast?" thundered the king.

The huge doors swung open and two guards entered carrying a large table laden with food. The king sat down and began to eat ravenously. After draining the large wine tankard, he sat morose and bleary-eyed. His head drooped and, with a satisfied smile on his face, the king went to sleep. Two guards lifted him gently from the chair, placed him in his mummy-box and quietly closed the lid.

The queen returned, looking much refreshed after her wine-bath and dainty breakfast. She prepared herself for her beauty sleep. The lady-in-waiting tucked her gently into the coffin, sprinkled some attar of roses over the lacy wrappings and closed the cover softly. Then she walked over to her own mummy-box, called a cheery "Good night," crawled inside and closed the cover. The guards and keepers—as if at a given signal—fell back into their respective places.

The large clock in the hall struck six. I arose from my couch, walked over and pulled up the window shades to let in the light of a new day.

I heard steps coming down the staircase. It was Mr. Thurston. He greeted me with a hearty "Good morning!" and then looked around the room. He saw the king's table with unwashed dishes on it. For a time he just stood there in meditation, then smiled and said:

## MARION IBEW WELCH ON 369, SCAB IN STRIKE

Teamsters in Marion not long ago called a meeting at the Labor Temple there for employees of the Anaconda Wire and Cable Co., working in the shipping and receiving departments, and the truck drivers.

These people are all members of the IBEW but a lot of them have expressed their desire to belong to a union in which they really belong and which would understand their problems better than an industrial union would.

When the Teamsters, however, called a meeting for the purpose of talking to these people, some of them asked their IBEW officials if they should attend. They were told not to attend and were threatened with violence and bodily injury if they did attend, and the officials of the IBEW stationed themselves at the entrance of the Labor Temple to see that none of their members did attend this meeting.

Commenting on this, D. E. Maheoney, secretary-treasurer and business representative of Teamsters Union No. 369, said:

"We have always been taught the purpose of unions was to advance the standard of living and to help one another obtain higher living wages and do anything else that would make better living conditions for all union people. But there must be some members at the Anaconda plant who have a selfish thing in mind when they refuse to help a fellow citizen obtain these ends."

There is also a strike in progress now at this same plant by the members of the machine shop who are members of the International Association of Machinists, and these members of the IBEW are going right through the Machinists' picket line. They are the only union members in town who are breaking the picket line. All crafts of the building and construction trades and the truck drivers are respecting this picket line, which is the last resort of the strikers to obtain what they want, namely a contract with the company.

The Machinists union has been certified as the bargaining unit for these people on strike.

## 25 Hancock Drivers Are Accident Free

Accident-free driving awards have been given to 25 drivers for the Forwarding division of Hancock Truck Lines.

Among the drivers honored, at a recent safety meeting in the Hotel Antlers, Indianapolis, were:

William Duffy, with 16 years of no chargeable accident; Herbert Lawson and Robert Earl, 15 years; William Edwards and Nicholas Campono, 14 years and James Duffy and Leslie Underwood, 11 years.

## Another Brother of 135 is Killed

An icy road on U. S. 6 west of Nappanee, Ind., caused a steel-laden truck to overturn, killing Joseph Delmar Smith, member of Teamsters Union No. 135 and living until recently at 1506 Lawton avenue, Indianapolis.

Smith's tractor trailer went into a skid and landed in an open field. He was pinned in the cab and suffered a crushed skull.

Officers and members of Local 135 are saddened to learn of the mishap.

Buy Union Label gifts and make it a Merry Christmas for the organized workers who contribute more to the universal application of that spirit than any other group on earth.

"Interesting people, these ancient Egyptians—are they?"

"Yes, Mr. Thurston," said I, "indeed they are!"

My helpers, who arrived shortly afterwards, moaned as they watched the queen's bath wine go down the drain. By noon we had the stuff packed into the van—king, queen, ladies and guards. That afternoon I took off for San Diego.

## Freedis Wines, One of 369's, Driver for Month of Septem

Another member of Pat Mahoney's Local 369 been cited as driver of the month. This time it is Fred Wines, of 1903 South First street, Elwood, driving the Ellis Trucking Company.

Wines found three drunks parked in a car in middle of a dark road and unable to awaken any of them set out pot torches and directed traffic around the edge of intoxication until gendarmes arrived to call off the clink.

Whereupon the Indiana Motor Truck Association designated Wines as its favorite driver for September's official publication, *The Fifth Wheel*.

Sheriff Harold S. Zeis of Allen County relates the details:

"At 4:45 a. m. on August 21, our office received a call from the Ligonier State Police Post that a trucker was having trouble with three intoxicated men in a car about 10 miles north of Fort Wayne on State Road 427.

"Our deputies found that a 1936 car occupied by three intoxicated men was parked in the center of the highway and the men had gone to sleep in the car. We had considerable difficulty in arousing the men and getting them out of the car.

"The three men had made the rounds of the taverns in Fort Wayne and were on their way home to Waterloo, Indiana. On their way home their car had motor trouble and the driver said he pulled to the side of the road and parked and was going to sleep until daybreak when he could repair the car.

"The drunk driver, parked in the middle of the highway, straddling the center line.

"Driver F. H. Wines came along and narrowly missed striking the disabled car. He parked his truck off the road and went back to investigate. He was unable to awaken the driver or other occupants, so he immediately set out his flares a safe distance in either direction of the gin-logged car. Mr. Wines then stayed by the car, flagging traffic as it approaches.

He asked one of the motorists for assistance and he stayed the car until our deputies arrived.

"The Allen County Sheriff's department commends Mr. Wines very highly. We feel that, despite the hazard created by the disabled car parked at the bottom dip in the road in complete darkness, where it was not visible too great a distance to once traffic, Mr. Wines possibly saved three or more persons from being killed or injured."

Ellis Trucking Co. received a letter from Earl G. Schwalm, officer of the Lincoln National Bank & Trust Co., Ft. Wayne, happened upon the scene while en route to catch a train and wondered he might have been seriously involved had not Ellis driver been on the job. The complimented the truck driver very highly.

The Ft. Wayne Journal-Zette, in an account of the accident, related that officers found a man with two cases of beer in the seat of the car and sprawled in the rear seat beside the driver. He was one of the occupants of the car with a Collie pup curled in his lap. The newspaper called this one of the most brazen violations of traffic laws in years.

All three men found in the car were arrested for public intoxication and the driver was charged with illegal parking.

## News Notes From Local 193

By F. D. OWENS

We hear from Jim Allen, branch manager of Columbia Transportation, that seven drivers for Pearson Furniture and Music Store in Indianapolis have gone the first 10 months of this year without a chargeable accident. That's going some, over more than 100,000 miles in all. The seven safe drivers, all members of Local 193, are Levy McCallister, Wesley Riegler, Palmer Clifton, Horace Cur Howard Lamberson, Frank Chaney and John Hall.

Our incredible author, Swede Carlstrom, got himself a Mexican brief case on a recent trip south of the border. It was hand tool and plenty sizeable for his prolific output. He was ably assisted in the purchase by double-shot McMinn and Lefty Davis. Oh, Teke!

Winfield Connolly has quit dispatching at Mayflower and goes back to a van.

Advertising to Columbia Transportation, Inc., Bov Hundley, safe director, has received word from the American Trucking Assns. that this company has won the first place award in its class of companies in the annual personal no-injury contest conducted by the association. We have seen a note from Ray H. Brundige of Columbia saying:

"This is the second year that we have won the award. Last year the ATA gave us a nice trophy which at present is displayed in the Cincinnati garage, although I understand it soon will be moved to the Indianapolis garage because of their better record during the last three months.

"It's nice to receive the trophy and the national recognition, but it is more satisfying to know that our people are saving a few crushed fingers, crushed toes and sprained backs through acquiring more skill in the performance of their work."

Wonder what kind of a score Shuffleboard Wright of Pearson made when his wife was on vacation?

Trucks are substituting efficiently for glamor in the old cattle round-up. Once driven on the hoof from worn out range to a new one, many cattle died during the hot, dusty trek; others lost weight, took longer to fatten for market. Progressive cattlemen now use truck and trailers to make the move quickly, saving many pounds of steak.

**SHE GOT HER MAN**

Advertisement in the Oregon Teamster:  
WILL TRADE \$20 formal, worn twice, S-16, for good % bed. TA 1384.

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## NLRB Phoney Kokomo Election Proves Taft-Hartley Folly

The Kokomo Teamsters have lost a NLRB election at the Howard County Lumber Co. which they didn't expect to win because the only voters were two renegades who had been fired from the union.

Thus the NLRB found out, at the big expense of sending its representative all the way from Washington, D. C. to conduct hearings which weren't conducted, what O. B. Chambers could have told it for free. Which was that the two scabs would never vote to be represented by Local 759.

The NLRB representative knew the situation. He knew that a shop election at the Howard County Lumber Co. would be a silly travesty on common sense. Yet he was compelled by the Taft-Hartley law to hold the election and so attempt to embarrass the union.

This election established nothing except further proof in its humble way that the Taft-Hartley law is an instrument designed for the sole purpose of busting organized labor.

Kokomo labor can do its part by throwing every possible vote against another Harness, another Capehart.

At the same time Kokomo labor can help prove that the Taft-Hartley law is not always a godfather to little business which tries to horn in on the blessings reserved for giants. It can do

## 19 Kroger Co. Drivers Cited In Terre Haute

**TERRE HAUTE**—Nineteen members of Teamsters Union No. 144 who drive trucks for the Kroger Co., were recognized for their outstanding safety records at a banquet recently at the Terre Haute House.

The men have worked for the company from one to 10 years each, representing 77 years of driving experience, during which period they have covered approximately 2,800,000 miles without an accident.

Mayor Ralph Turner and a number of officials of the firm addressed the gathering, lauding the honored guests for their unblemished safety records.

William Cookley, business representative of Local 144, pointed out that the company was a leader in promoting safety on the highways, having adopted as its safety slogan, "Safety Is No Accident."

The award winners were presented with jeweled pins by Frank Vamos, local branch manager, who declared the firm wished "to express appreciation and recognition of a job well done."

Drivers who received safety awards for 1949 are: Oliver Morgan, Harold Payne, Thomas McCombs, Warren Aker, Carroll Weaver, Charles Lewis, Walter Owens, Lawrence Carrithers, one year; Charles Bender, Arthur Lueckel, Robert Collins, two years; Joseph Bruce, three years; Charles Morge, six years; Herman Owen, seven years; Fred Link, eight years and Fred Stanley, Michael Lambert, Louis Hancock and Walter Moore, 10 years.

this by reducing the number of customers of the Howard County Co. and prove that the law can sometimes be a boomerang for little business.

You can get plenty of lumber and supplies elsewhere in Kokomo, from good, approved companies. Why do business with a camp follower of the NAM?

According to business representatives of Local 759, the two scabs are still at the Howard County Lumber Co.'s headquarters in South King street — and so is the union picket.

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voted to give all-out support to the organizational campaign in both men and money.

Organizers from the other locals will go to Mr. LaMaster's territory upon call from him and work with him so long as required, Chambers said.

LaMaster reported that already he had received considerable help from the Terre Haute Local, No. 144, particularly in obtaining \$3,000 overtime pay for 40 construction workers from two contractors who had defaulted in the payment.

The meeting received favorable publicity in the Bloomington newspapers. The Herald's report was carried by the Indianapolis Star, which quoted Mr. Chambers, as declaring, in part:

"The program will include organization of milk truck drivers, wholesale and retail grocery drivers, laundry, bakery and others of this type as well as drivers on construction projects, city freight service and other heavy industrial work."

Teamster Unions of Joint Council 69, additional to Local 694 and represented at the meeting were: Locals Nos. 135, 188, 193, 233, 716, Indianapolis; 759, Kokomo; 369, Muncie; 691, Richmond; 960, Columbus; 144, Terre Haute; 543, Lafayette, and 73, Clinton.

## NOMINATIONS NEXT MEETING

At its December meeting Joint Council 69 will nominate officers and one trustee, to be elected at the January meeting.

The Union Label exemplifies the humanitarian principles of the Sermon on the Mount. So buy gifts on which it is displayed.

During the holiday shopping season patronize your friendly dealers who display the Union Label. Shop Card and Button.

## Home Made Drivers Vote For Local 188

By a vote of 17 to 3 sales-drivers of the Home Made Pie Co. in Indianapolis have decided to be represented by Teamsters Union No. 188, headed by C. E. Davis.

This vote was taken in a recent election conducted by the National Labor Relations Board.

On November 10 the inside workers at the bakery voted to be represented by the Bakery and Confectionery Workers, also an AFL union.

Now for a contract. President Davis will attempt to obtain a substantial increase for the drivers without further interruption of the company's business. But there will be a contract and a good one, he says.

Local 188 is still picketing the Bridgeman Dairy plant in Indianapolis.

## 33 Mayflower Drivers Cited For No Accident

Thirty-three Aero Mayflower employees are on the November list of accident-free drivers released by R. J. Magnus, safety director.

Heading the list is Luther P. Jones with 614,918 miles to his credit over a period of ten years, and nary a chargeable mishap.

Next is George Leatham who has driven just as safely for seven years, over 401,443 miles of jalopy laden highways.

Six years are to the credit of Howard R. Gromer and Robert D. Edwards who have dodged drunken drivers and one-armed Romeo's for a total of 380,831 miles and 337,285 miles, respectively.

In the five-year no-hit class are Robert M. Mercer, Theodore C. Hamilton and Raymond Wynn. The others:

Harold E. Cauble, 1 year; Walter E. Robbins, 1; James C. Thomas, 1; Hiram E. Keense, 1; Louis Lyle, 3; Fred L. Miller, 2; Edgar A. Lang, 2; Edmond Starkey, 1; John S. Madge, 2; Howard Conway, 1; William T. Dunn, 1; Emilie N. Regalli, 3; Emert W. Bailey, 3; Wilson M. Barnett, 2; Dale E. Pike, 3; Frederick P. Kreisle, 3; Arthur C. Ragan, 1; Frank W. Dale, 3; O. H. Titus, 2; Claude G. Claunch, 1; Bernard Hulsey, 1; Ralph Lane, 1; Robert Allen, 1; Gerald Hanson, 1; Russell Y. Lam, 3; Charles E. Stringfellow, 4.

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## Up to Date with Local No. 188

By CLARA WILHELM

Local No. 188 has recently signed a new contract with Kessler Baking Co. at Greensburg.

A contract was signed for all flour haulers at the Omar Baking Co. recently with a 10-cent-an-hour increase.

Kraft Foods, Inc., signed a new contract with a substantial increase.

Polk Milk Co.'s contract is being negotiated.

We won the election with the Home Made Pie Co. drivers!

In the blessed event department of our local, we have this report to make:

It's a boy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pressel. Ray, the proud father, is an employee of Colonial Baking Co.

A baby girl at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Coonce. Clarence is one of our members employed at Polk's Milk Co.

Mrs. Samuel Newport presented her husband with a new baby. Sam is another Colonial sales driver.

Mrs. Lee Miller has a new baby girl. Her husband is with General Baking Co.

Mrs. Ray Rainbolt also has a new girl and her husband is with General Baking Co. on a wholesale route.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Watkins are the proud parents of a new baby boy. Ray sells West Baking Co. bread—that good Yum Yum.

Greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hodge on their new baby. Mr. Hodge is employed with the General Baking Co.

New arrival at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Percified, was a baby boy weighing 6 pounds 8 1/2 ounces. Mr. Percified is employed at the Lorton Laundry.

Blessed event at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Newhouse. Mr. Newhouse is employed at Omar's.

Mrs. Eugene Siebert presented the household with a new baby. Her husband is employed with General Baking Co.

Baby boy arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Whitesell. Mr. Whitesell is employed at Continental Baking Co.

Mrs. Garland Walton is recovering after an operation at the Methodist hospital. Mr. Garland is employed at Polk's. A speedy recovery to you, Mrs. Walton!

Mrs. Bill Robbins is recuperating from an appendectomy operation. Hope you're up and around again soon. Bill is employed at Omar.

Mrs. E. Lachance has been confined to Methodist Hospital. Hope it isn't serious and that you'll be out soon. Mr. Lachance is an employee at Indiana Condensed Milk Co., Sheridan.

Brother William Stahl has undergone an operation at the Veteran's hospital. A speedy recovery to you, Brother Stahl! Brother Stahl is employed at General Baking Co.

Melvin T. Davis, brother of C. E. Davis, has just been released from the Methodist hospital after an operation due to an accident. Like to see you up and around soon, Melvin!

Alpha Romine, a Progress Laundry employee, is convalescing at St. Vincent's hospital.

Ralph Bish, an employee of General Baking Co., underwent an operation at the Robert Long hospital. A quick recovery, Ralph!

Mrs. Ed Huffer is recuperating from a heart attack. She is confined at St. Vincent's hospital. Her husband is employed by Woodruff Cleaners.

Mrs. Mary Surber is convalescing at Methodist hospital. George Surber is an employee of Polk's Milk Co.

Mrs. Mildred Irons has undergone an operation at St. Vincent's. A speedy recovery to you, Mildred! Brother Irons is employed at West Baking Co.

Our deepest sympathy to Paul Timmons in the death of his father, Guy Timmons. Brother Timmons is an employee at General Baking Co.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Mrs. Frances Betts whose husband, George Betts, a former employee of Polk Milk Co., was killed in an accident on September 28. Mrs. Betts was also injured seriously in the collision but we are glad to report she is improving. George was well liked by all of his co-workers and his death is a great loss.

Brother John Long, a former employee of Indiana Condensed Milk Co. at Lebanon, passed away October 14 in Methodist hospital of a heart condition. Our sympathy goes to his family.

We are also sorry to announce the death of Brother Al Jordan who died suddenly in General hospital on November 9 following an attack of pneumonia. Brother Jordan was employed at Regan Baking Co. and was a valued employee as well as a good member of our local. We are deeply sorry to hear of his death. Brother Jordan made his home with his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Trostle. Brother Trostle is also one of our members, employed by Progress Laundry. To them we extend our sympathy.

## Green Tells Edwards AFL Views



Washington.—AFL President William Green expounds federation policies and views in conference with Frank Edwards, top-flight liberal commentator who begins new five-nights a week newscast sponsored by the American Federation of Labor over Mutual Broadcasting System. Mr. Edwards takes up his new duties on sustaining basis on December 5 and under AFL sponsorship on January 2, from 10 to 11 p. m. EST, on 147 stations.

## TEAMSTERS EVERYWHERE

**Don't Haul Brick to UMW Hole, Terre Haute****Heard and Seen at 716**

By HARRY HUDSON

Contracts with Ready Mixed Concrete Corp., Heston Concrete Co. and the Carlsen Concrete Supply Co. have been settled and a wage increase and improved working conditions have been obtained for the ready mixed, dump truck drivers, mechanics and truck maintenance employees. The wage committee for the local union was: Edward T. Carlson, James Barnett, Jesse Cora, Wilbur Geisking and Richard Hyde; for the concrete companies: C. Dolly Grey, Fred I. Shumaker and C. E. Carlsen.

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This local union has been informed of the death of Brother Vernon Phillips, recently employed at the American Aggregates Corp. The officers and members of Local Union No. 716 offer their sympathy to Brother Phillips' family.

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Local Union 716 was sorry to hear of the death of Mr. C. Dolly Grey, president of the Ready Mixed Concrete Corp., who passed away November 6, 1949. Mr. Grey in past association with the officers of Local Union No. 716 enjoyed the reputation of being fair and above board. The employees and the officers of Teamsters Local No. 716 express their deepest sympathy to the family of Mr. Grey.

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The death rate for members has been to date four for the year 1949. Since we last put a reminder in THE INDIANA TEAMSTER the members have been making an effort to keep their dues paid up. Let's keep up the good work. At the general meeting held October 28, 1949, the members present voted to continue the present insurance plan for the year 1950. More members should have been at the general meeting and the thought in our minds: suppose the members present voted the insurance plan out! We can imagine the griping. The moral, of course, is, attend your general meetings.

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The office of trustee of Local Union No. 716 will be open for nominations at the general meeting, November 25, 1949, 8:00 p. m. Brother William Magee, employed at the Brannum-Keene Lumber Co., is now trustee until December 31, 1949. Anyone desiring to run for the above office must be a member in good standing for two years in order to be eligible.

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**ATTENTION!**

Those cards which all members recently received in the mail from the World Insurance Co., respecting hospitalization for members of labor organizations only were mailed by the company from this office. Ordinarily we do not make our mailing list available for commercial purposes. But in this instance we gave the insurance company your name and address in the belief that you would be interested in its proposition, which to us seemed reasonable. Other than this Local Union No. 716 has no connection with the insurance company. If you decide to take out a policy it is strictly between yourself and the World Insurance Co.

**Look-See with 233**

By THIN ED and WIDE ED

Brother Harry Bowers of the John Wachtel Co. was nominated at the general meeting for three-year Trustee. Since he was not opposed he is elected by acclamation.

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The public warehouses—Tripp, Indiana Terminal, Indianapolis Warehouse, Rolling Mills warehouse and Strohm Warehouse and Cartage Co. contracts have been settled for another year. A nice increase and fringe issues were added.

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Sister Bonnie Kraft, steward at Red Dot Food, Inc., is still off sick. The officers and members hope Sister Kraft a speedy recovery.

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The Kibler Trucking Co. agreement is all set for the coming year. A wage increase, job classification adjustments and paid holidays were added.

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Remember! General Meeting the first Wednesday of each month at 28 West North St. at 8 P. M.

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The only union-made and union-delivered potato chip in Indianapolis is the Red Dot Potato Chips. Ask for them by name.

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The Kroger warehouse and drivers' contract and the Kroger mechanics' contract are settled. Wage increase, classification adjustment and more liberal work week guarantees were negotiated.

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Hunting season is open and so is the Indiana Terminal Tall Story Club. Brother Elmer Oiphant claims an early lead in game killed. But the other brothers claim they'll catch up before the season is over. Look out, rabbits!

**Rabanus Cited For Political Action in 5th**

High praise for Glen H. Rabanus, of Teamsters Union No. 548 and his work in helping elect friends of labor in the Fifth district last election was voiced by Carl H. Mullen, president of the Indiana State Federation of Labor at the November 6 meeting of the Indiana unit of Labor's League for Political Education.

The meeting was held in the Claypool Hotel, Indianapolis. Mr. Mullen declared that the Fifth is one of the best organized districts in the state, thanks in no small part to Mr. Rabanus.

**Busy Ice Men Enjoy a Dance**

EVANSVILLE—The Fellowship Club, made up of the Ice Men's Local, No. 582, reports that the recent dance at the Rainbow Gardens was a very enjoyable event. The dance replaced the summer picnic which ice men were too busy to hold.

The triplet daughters of Powell Faulkner, member of the local, who celebrated their first birthday anniversary October 14, are all walking now, according to their father, which means that he and Mrs. Faulkner, also, are doing quite a bit of walking as a result.

**REYNOLDS ASKS IBT COOPERATE**

Effectiveness of efforts by the Vigo County CLU to block building of the United Mine Workers building here is seen in the scurrying of little dump trucks in an effort to haul brick to the operation.

Jack Reynolds so reported to the November 18 meeting of the Indiana Conference of Teamsters in the Lincoln Hotel.

He said that the building will require 50,000 brick and that the contractor, hiring non-AFL mechanics is having a hard job running them through the AFL pickets.

A union Teamster employed by the Big Western Co. in Danville, Ill. drove in the other day with a load of 5,000 brick, said Reynolds. But when he reached the building and saw the AFL pickets he turned right around and drove back to Danville, bricks and all.

Reynolds asked all Teamsters working for building supply employers to do likewise and refuse to haul brick or any other building materials to this building.

Already the operation, scheduled originally to cost not over \$100,000, has used up \$30,000 and still is only a hole in the ground. If it ever does reach completion the cost will be close to a million dollars, he estimated.

**PATRONIZE ROY KING IN RICHMOND**

Roy King, former Kroger driver in Richmond, has opened his own parcel delivery service in that city.

He is located on Straight Line Pike.

His business is the only union parcel delivery service in Richmond and should be patronized by all union people to the exclusion of all others.

This information came from James K. Katz, secretary-treasurer of Teamsters Union No. 691, who before going to the hospital, took time out to wish Roy King the best of luck.

**LOCAL 543 SIGNS LUMBER CONTRACT**

Glen H. Rabanus, business representative of Teamsters Local 543, reported to the Joint Council 69 meeting in Bloomington, November 24, that his local union has signed a contract with lumber companies of Lafayette and elsewhere in the district, with 5 cents an hour increase for the members.

**Every Working Man Should Read This Message from D. E. Mahoney**

By D. E. MAHONEY

To all Brothers of Teamsters Union Local 369:

The success and future welfare of our union depends upon the interest and cooperation of its members. You can help yourself to a more secure, happy and prosperous future by cooperating with your union. Be a good union man and not just a card holder.

Patronize and insist upon your family and friends patronizing UNION MADE products only and buy from those companies which employ members of the Teamsters Union to deliver their merchandise.

For bakery products buy from Omar, Colonial, Singers, Wonder Bread and Famous Pie. These companies are union—their drivers are your brother members. Deitzel Bakery and Hampton's Aunt Molly Bread Co. are not union and refuse to join with us, because the bosses don't want the men to organize. The bosses are smart. They know that in union there is strength and they do not want their employees to have the security of a union nor the liberties and freedom enjoyed by union men.

Non-union workers fail to realize that it has been the work, sacrifice and fight of the unions which has made it possible for them to have the highest standard of living in the world.

God help the workers of America if the unions should ever fail! The economy of America would be broken and hardship and suffering would prevail.

Make your union stronger—patronize your Brothers and ignore your enemies.

For building supplies, coal and lumber, buy from Magic City, Muncie Building and Supply, Glasser & Taylor, A. J. Glaser, Kirby Wood, Muncie Lumber, Grouleff & Mauck and White City Lumber. In Anderson buy from the A.B.C. Lumber Co.

Brothers in Marion! Let's buy Deer Creek dairy products. They are good and their drivers are members of the Teamsters Union. Marion Pure Milk and Rose Hill Dairy are not union.

Coca-Cola in Muncie and Marion are not union. But in Anderson Coca-Cola drivers are members of our union, and both the drivers and the company are happy with the union.

L. M. Dagne and McGuff building and supply companies in Muncie do not want our union. Therefore they do not need the business of union members.

Business representatives of Local No. 369 are doing all in their power to organize the unorganized. We are not going to give up. The fight is on to the finish. Our success is your security. Your help will bring quicker results.

Brothers! Get in the fight and help win a victory for yourselves!

The next regular meeting of this local union will be held Sunday, December 11, 1949, at the Labor Temple, 120 East 8th St., Anderson.

The Financial Statement of this local union for the fiscal year ending September 30 can be obtained from our Muncie, Marion or Anderson offices.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Mullen are the proud parents of a new baby. Claude is one of our friendly Omar salesmen.

Congratulations to one of our business representatives and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. John Mofield. They are the proud parents of a new baby girl.

Members of this local union are rooting for a speedy recovery of Brother Bernard M. Messmore who drove for the O. L. D. Forwarding in Anderson. Brother Messmore has been confined to a sanitarium in Rockville for the past several weeks.

We're in negotiations with the J. J. Long Co. of Alexandria. Also starting negotiations for the garage employees of the Tarbet Trucking and McLain Trucking of Muncie.

We have consummated a contract with the A. B. C. Lumber Co. of Anderson; also our Wholesale Bakery Drivers' agreement; an agreement covering truck loaders employed by the Colonial and Singer bakeries, and a Bakery Garage agreement with the Colonial Bakery.

Brother Chester Frazier of Marion is laid up with a broken foot, caused by a furnace falling on his foot when he was trying to deliver it to a customer. He is expecting to have his cast off now in a couple more weeks. Hope he will be able to be back to work soon!

America's trucking industry gives direct employment to more than 5,000,000 workers—three and a half times as many jobs as there are in the huge railroad industry.

Gasoline consumed annually by trucks in this country totals 7,800,000,000 gallons. Piled in one-gallon cans that would make five stacks to the moon.

**Dr. Pepper Company Unfair to 188**

Teamsters Local Union No. 188 is picketing the Dr. Pepper bottling works in Bloomington, Ind., declaring that product unfair in the university center and all surrounding territory, including Brown county.

The strike was called after the company fired two employees for joining the union, and refused all overtures made by C. E. Davis, union president, to consider rehiring those workers.

The discharged employees, a salesdriver and an inside worker, had signed application for union membership with Lynn Whitehead, chief steward of bread and coca-cola workers, signing along with other employees of the Bloomington company.

After signing the Dr. Pepper employees, Whitehead called in President Davis for two meetings with them and two subsequent meetings with company officials.